

# HISTORIC PROGRESS BEING MADE UNDER ALASKA PIPELINE PROJECT

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# Framing the challenge to commercializing N.S. gas

#### **Demand Uncertainty**

The state cannot resolve "market uncertainty." Shippers will ultimately determine the market.

#### **Shipper Uncertainty**

"Shipper uncertainty" – How can the State increase the likelihood for project success by landing on a fiscal deal today

# Has AGIA been effective in advancing the Major Gas Sale project effort?

- AGIA is designed to incentivize the completion of critical work activities (engineering, permitting, and commercial work) so that, when appropriate, shippers can be in a position to sanction a project
- AGIA recognizes that commercial alignment may take a considerable period of time to achieve and therefore requires "parallel track" work on other equally critical work while the commercial process unfolds.
- Is the Major Gas Sale project viable at current prices? Project is not expected to be online for a decade – current prices are a red herring
- Dynamic market makes it difficult to know on a 10-yr lead time project –
  project cost, potential for regulatory delay, changing regulatory
  environment for L48 shale gas development, unclear economic price
  threshold for shale gas...

# Challenges & synergies for NS gasline

#### Challenges

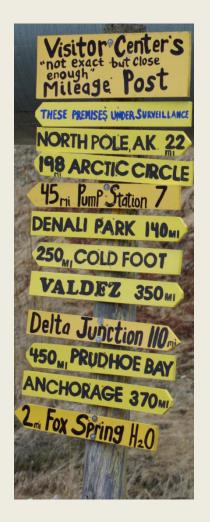
- Dynamic Market Conditions (e.g., Lower 48 supply and demand, Asia demand, Cook Inlet potential)
- Uncertain Shipper Commitment
- Fiscal Terms
- Scattered Allegiances / Constituencies

#### **Synergies**

- Common route north of Livengood
- Securing reliable energy supply for in-state use
- Workforce development
- Markets and usage beyond existing in-state needs
- Export markets
- Alignment on data acquisition & permitting
- Synchronized Open Seasons

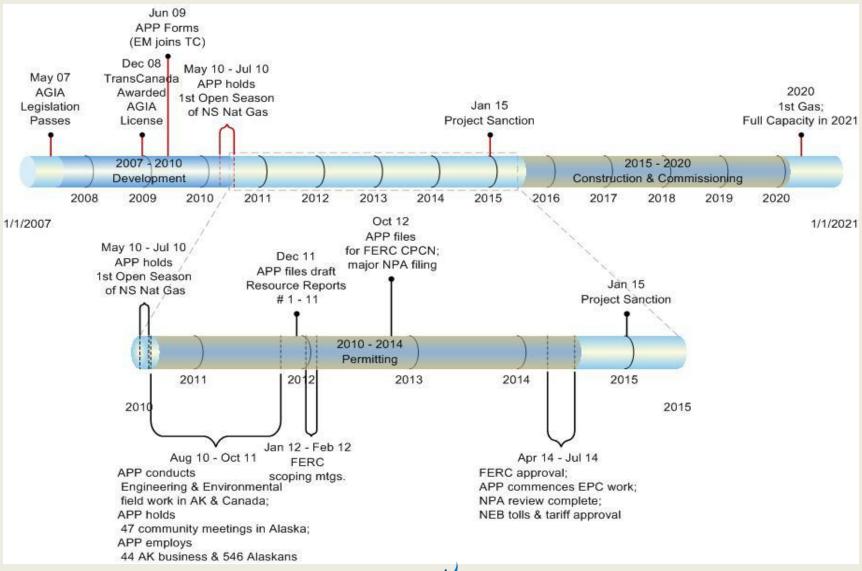
### AGIA: Where are we headed?

- We are cautiously
   optimistic that
   commercial progress
   will be made in the
   months to come
- We are confident that good progress is being made on the regulatory success leg





# **Project Timeline**



### APP is a work in progress

- 2010 & 2011: APP's summer and winter field programs in Alaska and Canada gather data in support of engineering, technology development and permit applications
- August 2010: APP commences negotiations with shippers on conditions of PAs
- Nov. 2010 to March 2011: Workshops and meetings held with state and federal agencies to provide project updates, discuss technical programs/practices, and to clarify information delivery and permit requirements
- February 2011: Project reached one million hours of work without a lost time incident
- April 2011: Preliminary drafts of Resource reports #1 (General Project Description) and #10 (Alternatives) submitted to FERC
- September 2011: APP reports that 546 Alaskans and 44 Alaska-based service providers have worked on this project

10/31/2011

## **Community Meetings**

#### APP conducted 47 community meetings in 2011



APP and representatives from the Gas Pipeline Project Office and State Department of Labor meet with residents of Dot Lake

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